Absolute Rating Excellent Improvement Rating Good

Number of primary schools with students like ours: 5. The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from excellent to excellent. For improvement ratings, the range was from good to excellent.

RATINGS OVER A FOUR-YEAR PERIOD

Improvement Rating **Absolute Rating** 2001 Excellent Good 2002 2003 2004

PERFORMANCE RATING CRITERIA

Student attendance rate	96%
Pupil – Teacher Ratio	19 to 1
Percent of parents attending conferences	98%
Days of professional development in early childhood devoted exclusively to knowledge and skills in working with children less than eight years old	3.3
Type of accreditation	Not pursuing
(More than one may apply)	accreditation
(More than one may apply)	accreditation
	Conducting a self-
	study
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	X State Department
	of Education
	X Southern Association
	of Colleges and Schools
	National Association
	for the Education of
	Young Children
	American Montagori Society
	American Montessori Society

SCHOOL PROFILE INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	From	Schools with Students like ours	Median Primary School
SCHOOL				
Dollars spent per student	\$5,790	N/A	\$5,801	\$5,569
 Prime instructional time 	89.6%	Up from 88.7%	89.1%	89.6%
 Student-teacher ratio 	18.8 to 1	N/A	19.0 to 1	18.5 to 1
STUDENTS (n=859)				
Attendance Rate	95.7%	Down from 96.0%	95.5%	95.7%
 First graders who attended full day kindergarten 	96.0%	90.0%	96.2%	96.2%
 Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards 	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Retention rate	3.0%	Down from 6.4%	6.9%	5.9%
TEACHERS (n=58)				
 Professional Development days per teacher 	10.2 Days	Up from 7.0	8.0 Days	7.9 Days
Attendance Rate	95.1%	Up from 93.8%	95.0%	95.1%
 Teachers with advanced degrees 	37.9%	Up from 29.8%	32.5%	40.9%
Continuing contract teachers	82.8%	Up from 82.5%	80.0%	81.8%
Teachers with out-of-field permits	0.0%	Down from 1.8%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from the previous school year	92.8%	Down from 93.8%	89.4%	87.4%
Average teacher salary	\$39,617	Up 5.6%	\$36,150	\$36,605

SCHOOL FACTS

Our School		Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Primary School
SCHOOL				
 Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries 	70.0%	N/A	67.5%	66.3%
 Principal's years at the school 	1.0	N/A	4.0	4.0
 Parents attending conferences 	97.8%	N/A	89.2%	94.5%
 Opportunities in the arts 	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
Older than usual for grade	0.5%	Up from 0.4%	0.6%	0.5%
Suspended or expelled	18	N/A	1	0
With disabilities other than speech	5.7%	Up from 3.8%	1.4%	2.6%



PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

This has been a productive year at North Myrtle Beach Primary. Our students, teachers, and parents worked together and progressed toward meeting the performance goals included in our strategic plan and five-year school renewal plan. During this past year, 88% of kindergartners read at text level of three or greater and 82% of first graders read at text level eighteen or greater on benchmark texts. This increase was influenced by 83.5% of first graders scoring ready for first grade on the CSAB test. Second grade students also posted gains as 83% met state and local standards in English Language Arts and 83% met those standards in Math as measured by PACT. Teachers used standards-based instruction, met during common planning sessions and analyzed student assessment data to personalize instruction for each child.

Teachers recognized writing and math-problem solving as areas that required additional support. To assist teachers in writing, school-wide writing prompts were created, teachers were provided with staff development in using the writing rubric with students, several teachers attended workshops focusing on writing instruction, and a writing committee was created to discuss additional concerns. The link between reading and writing was strengthened as Accelerated Reader (AR) use was increased and students used technology to publish original work. To provide assistance in math, teachers shared problem-solving strategies during common planning time and created activities for children to practice these strategies.

Parents are valued assets who partner with teachers to increase student learning. We shared our plans for reaching our performance goals with parents. Our PTO held several successful fund-raisers to provide money for AR books, supplies, playground equipment, and construction of an on-site nature trail and garden. Over 13,000 volunteer hours were logged with assistance being offered in classrooms, working with individual children, and performing clerical duties. Through partnerships with teachers, parents, and community members, we are continuously analyzing data, identifying areas of concern and creating new strategies to help children reach their learning potential. At North Myrtle Beach Primary, "Everybody's Somebody."

Bobbie Édge, Principal

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	100.0	N/A	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	98.4	N/A	
Satisfied with home-school relations	100.0	N/A	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

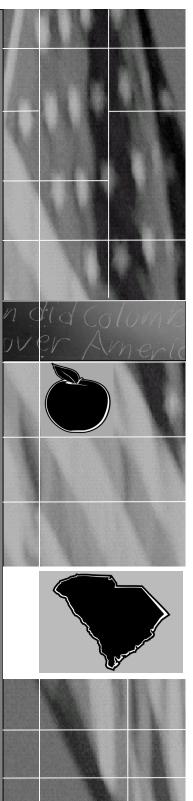
Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.



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Grades PK-2 Primary School

Enrollment: 859 Students

Principal

Bobbie Edge 843-663-0195

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Annual School	2001
Report Card	2001

School Grade: Excellent

South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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